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In re Application of:

DAMON D. BRINK, et al.

Examiner: Unknown

Application No.: 10/626,197

Art Group:

Filed: July 22, 2003

For:

PLATED BASE PLATE FOR

SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY IN

DISK DRIVE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 §1.115

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment to the inventorship and specification.

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TO THE INVENTORSHIP

An error was made in the inventorship of the above-entitled application as originally filed, causing an inventor to be omitted. The error was made without any deceptive intention. The applicant hereby requests under 37 CFR §1.48 that the inventorship of the above-entitled application be corrected by adding inventor Jack O. Bish, of 210 E. Alamar, Santa Barbara, California, 93105, USA, as the fourth inventor.

Included with this request is a signed statement from inventor Jack O. Bish that the error in inventorship occurred without any deceptive intention on his part.

Also included with this request is a newly executed declaration by all inventors, per 37 CFR §1.63.

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✓ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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